

MINUTES

Meeting: WARMINSTER AREA BOARD
Place: Warminster Civic Centre
Date: 2 November 2017
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 8.35 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Andrew Davis (Chairman), Cllr Pip Ridout (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Tony Jackson, Cllr Christopher Newbury and Cllr Fleur de Rhé-Philippe

Wiltshire Council Officers

Jessica Croman (Democratic Services)
Jacqui Abbott (Community Engagement Manager)

Town and Parish Representatives

Warminster Town Council
Chapmanslade Parish Council
Chitterne Parish Council
Codford Parish Council
Corsley Parish Council
Heytesbury Parish Council
Sutton Veny Parish Council
Upper Deverills Parish Council

Partners

Wiltshire Police
Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service
Community Area Partnership

Total in attendance: 45

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1.	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Warminster Area Board and invited members of the board to introduce themselves.</p>
2.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <p>Sarah Jefferies (Horningsham and Maiden Bradley Parish Councils) Sue Frasier (Warminster Town Council)</p> <p>It was noted that Cllr Tony Jackson would arrive late to the meeting (8pm)</p>
3.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>Decision</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>
4.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr Pip Ridout declared an interest in the Friends of Warminster Park grant application due to her position as treasurer and would abstain from voting on that application.</p>
5.	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Local Plan Review - The Council is reviewing the Wiltshire Core Strategy adopted in January 2015 which set out policies for the future development of the county over the period to 2026 and is used in the determination of planning applications. The review of the Wiltshire Core Strategy (renamed the Wiltshire Local Plan) will extend the period to which the plan relates to 2036. The consultation would run from the 7 November 2017 to 5pm Tuesday 19 December 2017. • Police & Crime Commissioner Precept Consultation – There is a proposed rise in Council Tax and people could have their say at www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/transparency • Warminster Town Council – Guidance and instructions for the Remembrance Day Parade on the 12 November 2017 was provided.

	<p>Following a request, the Chairman allowed Mr free, from the local Labour Group, to give a statement on Designated Public Place Orders (DPPOs) being replaced by Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs).</p> <p>The main points of the statement was; there had been no public consultation on the DPPO being replaced by the PSPO despite Wiltshire Councils website stating there would be a consultation and discussion at the local Area Board and that the current order would criminalise homeless people. It was requested that an officers report be made available for the next Area Board meeting.</p> <p>The Chairman read a response provided by officers with the main points focusing on: As of the 20 October 2017 DPPOs automatically became PSPOs; within a public space of a PSPO area it is an offence to consume alcohol; Wiltshire Police had the authority to issues fines to those who had the ability to pay the fine.</p> <p>During the discussion it was noted that there was information on the Wiltshire Council website about the PSPOs being consulted on at each Area Board, although this issue had not been on the forward work plan and for this reason it was;</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the issue should be on the agenda for the January 4 meeting.</p>
6.	<p><u>Updates from Partners</u></p> <p>Some written updates had been received before the meeting and were included in the agenda.</p> <p>A presentation was given by the Warminster Skate Park group, which gave information about the proposed skate park and a grant application that would be going to the Area Board in January. Plans were provided of what the skate park would look like and actions that had been taken to raise money. It was noted that the grant application would provide a temporary road which would support the construction of the skate park.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked the group for their presentation.</p> <p>Warminster and Villages Community Partnership</p> <p>Len Turner from the WVCP informed the meeting that benchmarking of Warminster Town would take place on Saturday morning from 10.30am. A team would be doing questionnaires and encouraged everyone to have their say.</p>
7.	<p><u>Local Youth Network Update and Youth Activities Grant Applications</u></p>

	<p>Jan Bowra, Local Youth Facilitator, introduced the item and gave a brief overview of the role and processes involved.</p> <p>A grant application was presented and it was;</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>To award Warminster Cricket Club £2000 for heating.</p>
8.	<p><u>Warminster Dementia Centre</u></p> <p>Emma Bolt from Alzheimer’s Support gave a presentation on the Warminster Dementia Centre.</p> <p>The main points from the presentation were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of Alzheimer’s support within the Warminster area was given. • A new hub would be opening in Warminster which would provide day centre activities 4 days a week and allow carers to have a break. • The new hub would be based in The Old Silk Works, which had a great history in Warminster. • The building would be modified to include a bridge for easy access, the grounds would include a landscaped garden area and curved walk way. • The building had designated parking but as part of the day centre activates package, those attending would be picked up and dropped off by taxi. • The charity boasted a large bank of volunteers, although more help and support would be welcomed. Especially donations to the new hub to help with the renovations. <p>The chairman thanked Emma for the presentation.</p>
9.	<p><u>Health & Wellbeing Group</u></p> <p>Jacqui Abbott, Community Engagement Manager, introduced the item and referred to the report and grant included in the agenda.</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>To approve £250 towards the funding of the All Things Carers event to cover hire of rooms, publicity and marketing and refreshments.</p>
10.	<p><u>The H.N. Dewey House Trust</u></p> <p>The Chairman referred to the report included in the agenda.</p> <p>During the debate some concerns were raised concerning the wording of the</p>

	<p>recommendations that were to be decided on. Councillor Newbury expressed his concerns and sought clarification on; who had the final decision/ power to devolve the legacy to the Town Council and that the wording of the recommendations was incorrect as it stated that Wiltshire Council was not the beneficiary but could devolve the legacy to Warminster Town Council. This did not make sense.</p> <p>Following the debate it was;</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>To recommend that Warminster Town Council becomes the proper beneficiary of the H.N. Dewey Will Trust and that Warminster Town Council is the successor to West Wiltshire District Council in this matter. Disbursements would therefore be devolved to the Town Council.</p> <p>Solicitors from Wiltshire Council to ensure that the correct legal procedure is followed to ensure that Warminster Town Council can disburse the funds.</p>
11.	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group</u></p> <p>The Chairman open the items and referred to the CATG notes within the agenda pack.</p> <p>It was also noted that a petition had been received from the residents of Newport road regarding parking issues on the road. The petition had been discussed at the CATG meeting and currently with the towns development team at Wiltshire Council.</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>To approve schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5568 – Whitfield Close/ Woodcock Road for dropped kerbs and 20mph along Woodcock Road. • 5729 – Hospital of St John, Heytesbury for dropped kerbs.
12.	<p><u>Area Board Funding - Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>The area board considered the following applications seeking 2017/18 Community Area Grant funding:</p> <p>Decision</p> <p>To defer the application for funding for Wiltshire Medieval Society for more</p>

	<p>information.</p> <p>To award Friends of Warminster Park £5000 for a haulage road for a new skate park.</p> <p>To award Chitterne Parish Council £1255.90 for a speed indicator device for traffic management.</p>
13.	<p><u>Warminster Regeneration Working Group</u></p> <p>An update was provided noting that the working group had been advised that it was not the right time to regenerate retail in the current climate. The aim of the group would be to get ready for when the market improves.</p> <p>Currently the working group were studying options for the car park and opportunities for a Police site were being explored.</p> <p>Membership of the steering group would be explored and a suggestion was made to ensure that the steering group was representative of the community. The Town Council were represented on the steering group.</p>
14.	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>
15.	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the Warminster Area Board would take place on the 4 January 2018 at the Warminster Civic Centre.</p>